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# Against Racism Unpublished Essays, Papers, Addresses, 1887–1961

W.E.B. Du Bois Edited by Herbert Aptheker

"This work adds greatly to our knowledge of the range and depth of Du Bois's thought. Indeed, one senses as seldom before the foundation of his thought on a number of issues vital to his people and to his times. The sections on art and civilization contain some of the finest writing of one who was a leading prose stylist of his time. This previously unpublished material . . . forms a book comparable in quality to The Souls of Black Folk. As such, it will be one of the most important works published in America in the last half of this century"—Sterling Stuckey, Northwestern University.

Scholar, author, editor, teacher, reformer, and civil-rights leader, W.E.B. Du Bois (1868–1963) was a major figure in American life and one of the earliest proponents of equality for black Americans. He was a founder and leader of the Niagara Movement, the NAACP, and the Pan-African Movement; a progenitor of the 1920s Harlem Renaissance; an advocate of anticolonialism, anti-imperialism, unionism, and equality for women; and, for over half a century, an adherent of socialism.

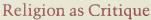
Against Racism brings together the most important unpublished writings of Du Bois, tracing the evolution of his social and political views from his days as an undergraduate at Fisk University to the last years of his life. Du Bois here expresses opinions on politics, literature, socialism and its applicability to Africa, the nature of colonialism and imperialism, prospects for Caribbean nations, and the quality of education. Against Racism also contains a book within a book, presenting for the first time in published form Du Bois's critique of the New Deal prepared for Alain Locke in 1936.

Herbert Aptheker is currently completing a forty-volume series of the published writings of Du Bois. He is editor of Du Bois's *The Education of Black People: Ten Critiques*, 1906–1960, Prayers for Dark People, and the three-volume Du Bois Correspondence, all published by the University of Massachusetts Press. In re-

viewing the third volume, which was named as one of the Best Books for 1979, Eric Foner wrote in the New York Times Book Review: "It is a remarkable fact that this volume brings to completion the first collection of the correspondence of any black American. As such, it is a milestone in the coming of age of Afro-American history, a subject whose scholarly acceptance is among W.E.B. Du Bois's most outstanding legacies."

304 pp., illustrations, cloth \$25.00(sd) LC 84-16173, ISBN 134-0 June 1985





Robert John Ackermann

While science renews itself by refuting and replacing pictures of how the world is, religion derives its longevity from the ability to create images of how the world ought to be. In this view, religions arise as legitimate protests against prevailing ways of life—that is, as forms of critique. Robert Ackermann here explores this idea, considering the manner in which six major religious systems (Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Marxism, Hinduism, and Buddhism) articulate critique.

This approach differs markedly from most contemporary philosophy of religion, which the author believes has grown sterile by seeing its task as the logical analysis of religions viewed as collections of dogmata. He proposes instead that one see the major religions as both dead and alive, "dead in their orthodoxy, but alive in providing a source of critical ideas for evaluating surrounding society."

After indicating the latent possibilities for social critique in such areas as environmental issues, war, and the status of women. Ackermann turns to the history of Christianity in the United States. He utilizes the grid/group analysis of Mary Douglas and ideas from Thomas Luckmann, Robert Bellah, and John Cuddihy to trace Christianity's evolution from confrontation to quiet accommodation. Ackermann demonstrates that currently privatized versions of Christianity have lost out to a largely unnoticed civil religion whose critical resources are too impoverished to provide more than short-term social steering. In this situation, Christianity's critical potential is unlikely to be noticed, particularly by those who turn to other religious traditions for critical perspectives on contemporary society.

Robert John Ackermann, professor of philosophy at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, is the author of nine books, including *The Philosophy of Karl Popper* and *Data, Instruments, and Theory.* 

184 pp., cloth \$20.00(sd), paper \$8.95(sd) LC 84-16471, ISBN 462-5(cloth), 463-3(paper) February 1985



#### The Collected Essays of Christopher Hill Volume 1: Writing and Revolution in Seventeenth-Century England

Christopher Hill

Christopher Hill is widely recognized as the leading historian of seventeenth-century England. This major new collection of his work contains many previously unpublished essays, and all the material has been revised especially for this volume. In the first part of the book, Hill examines the general connections between seventeenth-century historical questions—revolution, censorship, the Levellers—and the literature of the period. He then provides essays on individual authors such as Milton, Marvell, Butler, Rochester, and Defoe.

"Dr. Hill is, I suppose, the most eminent seventeenth-century historian in Britain, and one of the most distinguished historians in the world. His historical scholarship is staggering—he is reputed to have read every text published in seventeenth-century England-and he combines this formidable learning with a now legendary imaginativeness and intellectual ambitiousness. There seems to be nothing about seventeenth-century England he doesn't know; he has produced study after study of seminal importance, casual footnotes in which have become whole studies in the hands of his students. As a Marxist, his work is always challenging to historical orthodoxy; but his Marxism is of a

peculiarly open, capacious kind, rich and flexible in its scope and quite the reverse of dogmatic. Indeed Hill's work is distinguished by a marked intellectual charity and good humour, even when engaging with the most adamant of intellectual opponents.

"Despite his astonishingly prolific production of full-length studies, much of Hill's valuable work has remained in essay form; so in this sense the project is particularly welcome. The availability of his literary pieces alone, in volume 1, will be deeply gratifying to literature teachers who at the moment have to steer their students around the somewhat unfamiliar realm of historical peri-

odicals in order to lay their hands on this material. Hill has always been deeply interested in literature, and to have these essays easily to hand is a boon to the literary academy. I have no doubt whatsoever that publication of this volume constitutes a highly significant intellectual enterprise"—Terry Eagleton, Wadham College, Oxford University.

Christopher Hill has written many books, including *The World Turned Upside Down: Radical Ideas during the English Revolution* and *Milton and the Puritan Revolution.* 

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260 pp., cloth \$25.00(sd)



#### Long Live the Strong A History of Rural Society in the Apennine Mountains

Roland Sarti

"It is a superb achievement, beautifully, elegantly, extraordinarily well-written.... Its scholarly significance is great and various. Suffice it to say that, while the village is the pivotal point of the presentation, the book enlightens on many issues of regional and national, social, political, and economic history. In addition, this is the best theoretical statement known to me on why a rural people living in a recondite corner of space should be studied"—Joseph Lopreato, University of Texas at Austin.



The Apennine Mountains of northern Italy and in particular the village of Montefegatesi are the setting for this history of a rural area and its many transformations. Sarti incorporates approaches used by geographers, anthropologists, and sociologists to consider the population's emigration patterns, social mobility, political behavior, and changes in ideology and values. By combining narrative and analysis, the study explores connections between local and national developments in a segment of Italian society that has been largely neglected by other historians.

The popular culture of the Apennine people described here illustrates how individuals have utilized the primary institutions of family and village community to bridge the gap between tradition and modernity without recourse to ideologies of radical change or collective violence. The use of fresh documentation. attention to both statistics and personal reactions, and the author's undisguised sympathy for the people of his native Italy make a compelling tale of human courage and resourcefulness. The unusual perspective adopted in this study yields some important clues that help explain why a country whose public life is marked by divisive conflict and government instability is also characterized by an underlying social stability. This is really national history from a local perspective.

Roland Sarti is professor of history at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and the author of *Fascism* and the Industrial Leadership in Italy, 1919–1940.

304 pp., illustrations, cloth \$27.00(sd) LC 84–16347, ISBN 466–8 July 1985

# Postmortem New Evidence in the Case of Sacco and Vanzetti William Young and David E. Kaiser

The murder trial of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti remains one of the most controversial court cases in American history. The case began in May 1920 when a local Massachusetts police chief arrested two anarchists, the shoe worker Sacco and the fish peddler Vanzetti, on suspicion of two crimes. Vanzetti was charged with an attempted robbery in Bridgewater, and both were later charged with the murder of a paymaster and a guard in a successful payroll robbery in South Braintree. Their trial occurred during a time of mounting agitation about foreigners, anarchists, and revolutionaries, and their conviction and eventual execution in 1927 caused an international uproar.

It was primarily the political overtones of the case that created this furor. While millions of Americans regarded the two men as innocent victims of a bigoted judicial system, others saw them simply as common criminals who had been given every opportunity to prove their innocence. To this day, the issue of their guilt remains unresolved.

Postmortem reopens the case with the help of an enormous body of recently uncovered new evidence, including records of the Massachusetts state police, the prosecution, the defense, and federal authorities. Drawing on this material, the authors have shed new light on virtually every aspect of the case, including the background of the two men's arrest, the importance of their political activ-

ities, the role of federal agencies in the case, the motives behind the prosecution, the eyewitness testimony against the two men, and the critical firearms evidence against them. Taken together, this material leads to the conclusion that Sacco and Vanzetti were two innocent men, framed for murders they did not commit. The book shows that even after sixty years the case has lost none of its fascination.

William Young, a rare book and art dealer, researched the case for many years before his death in 1980. David E. Kaiser is associate professor of history at Carnegie-Mellon University.

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#### Massachusetts in the Gilded Age Selected Essays

Edited by Jack Tager and John W. Ifkovic

Following the Civil War, the state of Massachusetts changed from a rural, agricultural society to one based on urban and industrial forms of organization. Although historians have devoted considerable attention to the colonial history of the state, they have neglected the issues of ethnicity, municipal politics, and social welfare problems in the crowded urban centers of post-Civil War Massachusetts. Using case studies, the essays in this anthology discuss voting patterns, factory towns and labor conflicts, social mobility, Irish Catholic assimilation, and varied social reform activities. In addition to several articles on Boston are those on French Canadians in the Holyoke liquor industry, immigrant labor in New Bedford, and the athletic program of Harvard University.

Jack Tager is professor of history at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and John W. Ifkovic is assistant professor of history at Westfield State College. Other contributors are Dale Baum, Peter Haebler, Thomas A. McMullin, Alex Keyssar, Ronald A. Smith, Ivan D. Steen, Francis R. Walsh, and Marilyn Thornton Williams.

208 pp., cloth \$22.50(sd), paper \$9.95 ISBN 480-3 (cloth), 481-1 (paper) May 1985



#### Seeing through the Sun

Linda Hogan

Keen observation and vivid imagery mark this collection of poems by a Chickasaw Indian. Linda Hogan's subjects are often drawn from events of everyday life—gathering wood, watching her daughters sleep, witnessing changes in the weather, awaiting nightfall. But beneath the surface of these daily happenings runs a powerful undercurrent, a sureness of life's basic rhythms and a sensitivity to the pressures of survival.

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—Joseph Langland.

A teacher in the American Indian Studies Program at the University of Minnesota, Linda Hogan is a published writer and poet. Her other books include Calling Myself Home; Daughters, I Love You; Eclipse; and The Black Horse.

88 pp., cloth \$16.00(sd), paper \$6.95 ISBN 471-4 (cloth), 472-2 (paper) April 1985

#### The Hidden Force

L. Couperus
Translated by
Alexander Teixeira de Mattos
Revised and edited, with an introduction and notes by E. M. Beekman

The Hidden Force is a masterpiece of psychological fiction by one of Holland's greatest novelists. Set on the island of Java at the turn of the century, it describes the tragedy of Van Oudijck, a high official in the colonial administration. Rigidly pragmatic, Van Oudijck is blind to the possibility of fate and the silent powers of angker (magical possession). By the end of the novel he has withdrawn to a small village in the hinterlands, the tragic victim of a way of life he cannot fully understand.

The book is important both for its literary achievement and for what it tells us about the relation of colonizer to colonized in the Dutch East Indies. Although written forty-five years before Indonesian independence, it reveals many of the reasons why the Dutch colonial empire was destined to fail. The decline of one individual comes to symbolize the futility of the entire colonial enterprise.

L. Couperus (1863–1923) was a major innovator of Dutch prose. *The Hidden Force*, one of his greatest books, was published in Dutch in 1900.

E. M. Beekman is professor of Germanic languages and literatures at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, and the editor of the Library of the Indies.

Library of the Indies 274 pp., cloth \$24.00(sd) LC 84-16208, ISBN 465-X June 1985



#### The Poet's Other Voice Conversations on Literary Translation

Edwin Honig

"Mr. Honig has done an original and valuable piece of work. Every reader will learn something and no browser will be bored"—Jacques Barzun.

Twelve distinguished translators share their thoughts on the art and practice of literary translation in this lively series of interviews. Although the common subject is the translation of poetry, the conversations range across a field of related topics: how each person got started as a translator, how each goes about the work, the qualities that distinguish a great translation from a merely serviceable one, the theoretical issues posed by poetic translation, the barriers of culture and time, the practical details of rendering a poem from one language to the next. Edwin

Honig's voice carries forward from chapter to chapter, raising questions of common interest and lending a continuity to the whole.

The book is filled with brilliant observations and telling insights: Robert Fitzgerald on the Homeric poems, Richard Wilbur on his Molière translations, Octavio Paz on the creative act, John Hollander on translation theory, Ben Belitt on Neruda and Lorca, Max Hayward on the Russian poets. There is no other book like this in the field of literary translation.

"The great value of this book is that it has brought together a rather varied group of writers who coincide only in being poets and translators. Honig has done a fine job in orchestrating these voices"—Gregory Rabassa, CUNY.

"As an interlocutor Ed Honig is sympathetic, understanding, and well-informed. He has chosen a roster of practitioners that ranges widely and represents the very highest level of professional accomplishment.... The dialogues cover a wide variety of related topics and complement one another, catching the individual voices in a style that is extremely readable"—Harry Levin, Harvard University.

Edwin Honig, professor of English and comparative literature at Brown University, is a poet, translator, playwright, and literary critic. The participants are Ben Belitt, Robert Fitzgerald, Michael Hamburger, Max Hayward, John Hollander, Edmund Keeley, Herbert Mason, Christopher Middleton, Octavio Paz, Willard Trask, and Richard Wilbur.

232 pp., cloth \$25.00(sdl, paper \$9.95 ISBN 476-5 (cloth), 477-3 (paper) July 1985



#### Dickinson Strategies of Limitation

Iane Donahue Eberwein

"A comprehensive study of Emily Dickinson's poetry and outlook, informed by an acute reading of her poetry and her letters, as well as a thorough familiarity with the scholarship. It is distinctly different from other recent studies of Dickinson in two ways: first, it does not assume a thorough knowledge of the poetry, and second, it does not ride heavily a simplistic and limiting thesis. It is always clear, crisp, and readable"—Everett Emerson, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

In this comprehensive interpretive study of Emily Dickinson, Jane Donahue Eberwein offers a fresh perspective on Dickinson's use of the limiting factors in her life to accomplish her quest for empowerment. Positing her circle metaphor as a key to understanding Dickinson's poetic and religious search, Eberwein demonstrates how the poet deliberately intensified the limitations and losses she found in the "circuit world" of ordinary experience in order to heighten awareness of what she termed "circumference." the boundary of mortal existence. In her efforts to press against this barrier and test the immortality she hoped to find beyond it, Dickinson compressed both her personal sphere and her poetry to generate explosive force.

Eberwein first presents Dickinson's experience of limitation, including the distortedly diminutive self-image she projected in her writing and her emphasis on limitation and deprivation. Eberwein then considers the resources Dickinson used

in her attempt to penetrate these boundaries. These resources include literary role models, stylistic devices that empowered her writing, and her engagement in dramatic role play to experience alternative life situations such as that of aristocrat, traveler, boy, bride, or sentimental or gothic hero. Last, Eberwein explores the various ways Dickinson assaulted circumference and tried to push beyond it by anticipating immortality and comprehending her complex relationship to God.

Professor of English at Oakland University, Jane Donahue Eberwein is author of Early American Poetry: Bradstreet, Taylor, Dwight, Freneau, and Bryant.

320 pp., cloth \$25.00(sd) LC 84-16335, ISBN 473-0 May 1985



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### D. H. Lawrence and Tradition

Edited by Jeffrey Meyers

This book examines the ways in which D. H. Lawrence interprets, revalues, absorbs, and transforms the work of Blake, Carlyle, Ruskin, George Eliot, Hardy, Whitman, and Nietzsche. Though the contributors differ in their approach to the question of Lawrence's relation to tradition and receptivity to influence. they all agree that his use of the style, forms, and ideas of his predecessors is positive. They believe that his writing derives its resonance, meaning, and value—and much of its inspiration—from his vital connection to significant authors of the nineteenth century.

The essays show how Lawrence fulfilled the implications and completed the potential of his Romantic and Victorian forebears and how, by rewriting the works of others, he made them entirely his own. His exploration of earlier writers and cultivation of underlying temperamental and stylistic affinities led him to self-discovery and ultimately enhanced rather than diminished his originality.

"An excellent and useful collection of essays. . . . No book I know of systematically examines Lawrence in relation to his influences. Lawrence's iconoclasm has led critics to examine his uniqueness rather than see him as a confluence of many sources. I feel that this collection detracts nothing from Lawrence's value as an original; in fact by showing him as less of a maverick, it establishes him more seriously as a writer of the

first rank"—John Clayton, University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Jeffrey Meyers is professor of English at the University of Colorado, Boulder, and author of nineteen books on modern literature.

176 pp., cloth \$22.50(sd) LC 84–16175, ISBN 464–1 April 1985 For sale in the United States and Canada only

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Devon L. Hodges

"This is a tightly written, intelligent, suggestive study of a 'kind' that has attracted almost no first-rate criticism that I know of since Frye. It should prove stimulating to Shakespeareans as well as to Renaissance scholars in general, and beyond that, to those exploring new theory in all areas"—Susan Snyder, author of The Comic Matrix of Shakespeare's Tragedies.

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Following a discussion of the anatomy form and the impact of medical methods on the practice of writing,



Hodges offers innovative interpretations of several English anatomies: Lyly's Euphues: Anatomy of Wit, Nashe's Anatomy of Absurdity, Shakespeare's As You Like It and King Lear, Bacon's project to conduct an "Anatomy of the World," and Burton's Anatomy of Melancholy. Throughout these readings, Hodges makes use of contemporary literary theory to illuminate the difficult process of cultural transformation.

Devon L. Hodges is assistant professor of English and American studies, George Mason University.

160 pp., illustrations, cloth \$17.50(sd) LC 84–16343, ISBN 470–6 May 1985



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Michael A. Weinstein

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"I like the book. It is written to be accessible, it presents an interesting view of the virtues, it is an authentic meditation by a cultivated and sensitive mind. I like Weinstein's resolute stress on the solitary self; in a society whose great philosophers are predominantly devoted to the community, it is important to remind ourselves that the individual is the source of all agency, all joy, all suffering"—John Lachs, Department of Philosophy, Vanderbilt University.

Michael Weinstein is professor of political science at Purdue University and the author of *The Wilderness* and the City: American Classical Philosophy as a Moral Quest.

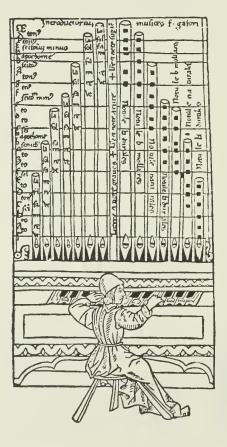
192 pp., cloth \$22.50(sd), paper \$9.95 LC 84–16215, ISBN 474–9 (cloth), 475–7 (paper) March 1985

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Lewis Rowell is professor of music at Indiana University, where he teaches the philosophy and theory of music, and editor of *Music Theory Spectrum*, the journal of the Society for Music Theory.

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Edited by Gaye L. Brown Introduction by Michael True

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Peter Hopkirk

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Ursula A. Barnett

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Christopher E. G. Benfey

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Cloth \$15.00(sd), ISBN 437-4, 1984

#### Laps

#### Michael Blumenthal

Laps is the winner of the 1984 Juniper Prize, the annual poetry award sponsored by the University of Massachusetts Press.

The book is a sequence of poems in thirty-two sections written in the voice of a swimmer engaged in a halfmile swim. Blumenthal has been praised by Helen Vendler in the *New Republic* for adding a "buoyant and odd new presence to contemporary American poetry."

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of D. H. Lawrence

#### Daniel Dervin

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#### Thoreau's Seasons Richard Lebeaux

"This superb study, though self-contained, continues and completes the psychobiography of Henry David Thoreau undertaken in *Young Man Thoreau*. . . . Any reader in search of Thoreau, the man and writer, will find *Thoreau's Seasons*, and also *Young Man Thoreau*, simply indispensable"—*Choice*.

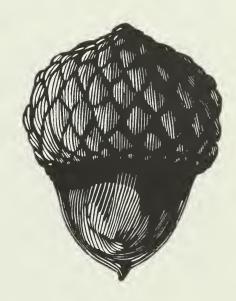
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#### Paul Mariani

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Cloth \$24.00(sd), ISBN 445-5 1984



#### Home Remedies

#### Martin Pops

"Home Remedies presents a theory of postmodern art in the context of a reading of the psychology of American culture. The book's structure is somewhat like that of a collage, with chapters on different cultural domains at once developing and countering the analysis. The style is elegant and witty, with each sentence carefully composed"—Cary Nelson, University of Illinois.

Cloth \$17.50(sd), ISBN 448-X Paper \$7.95, ISBN 449-8 1984

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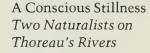
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